

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2021 Legislative Session

Bill Version:	CSHB 79(FIN)
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Identifier: CSHB(FSH)79-DFG-DSF-4-2-21  
Title: SALTWATER SPORTFISHING  
OPERATORS/GUIDES  
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR  
Requester: (H)FINANCE

Department: Department of Fish and Game  
Appropriation: Sport Fisheries  
Allocation: Sport Fisheries  
OMB Component Number: 464

## Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2022 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2022 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2022	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

## Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

## Change in Revenues

1024 Fish/Game (Other)	210.0	0.0	420.0	420.0	420.0	420.0	420.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>210.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>420.0</b>	<b>420.0</b>	<b>420.0</b>	<b>420.0</b>	<b>420.0</b>

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2021) cost:** 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2022) cost:** 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)

**Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account?** No  
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

## ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes  
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 01/01/23

## Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

This is an update to House Fisheries Committee substitute of the bill which adds fresh water guides to all licensing provisions of this legislation, except for the logbook provision. This committee substitute also decreases the license fees from \$200 to \$100 and \$400 to \$200.

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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## Analysis

The Department of Fish and Game is federally required to issue salt water logbooks for recording harvest and effort data to meet Pacific Salmon Treaty and International Halibut Act obligations as well as several regulations adopted by the Alaska Board of Fisheries. However, the mandate is unfunded by the federal government. This bill will provide funding for the issuance and reporting of salt water logbooks by restoring the salt water guide licensing fees that sunsetted in 2018 and the fresh water guide licensing fees that sunsetted in 2015.

**Revenue generated under the proposed fee structure:** The licensing fee structure portion of this legislation would begin January 1, 2022 at \$100 for sport fishing guides, and \$200 for sport fishing operators or combined salt water sport fishing operator and guide. The division projects fees to generate approximately \$420,000 annual revenue depending on activity.